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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: HAJEK ET AL 1 - PCT  
SERIAL NO.: 10/018,119 GROUP: 1731  
FILED: APRIL 26, 2002 EXAMINER: L. HERRING  
TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR HEAT TREATMENT OF GLASS  
MATERIAL AND NATURAL MATERIALS SPECIFICALLY OF  
VOLCANIC ORIGIN

**RESPONSE UNDER RULE 312**

**MAIL STOP:ISSUE FEE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated March 11, 2005,  
the Applicant respectfully responds to the Examiner Interview  
Summary as follows.


The documents attached to the Notice of Allowance include the  
Notice of Allowability, as well as an Examiner's Amendment and the  
Examiner Interview Summary. The substance of the Telephone  
Interview dated February 24, 2005 is correctly set forth in the  
Examiner's Amendment, which is attached to the said Notice of  
Allowance.

Entry and consideration of this Response Under Rule 312 is believed to be proper, and is respectfully requested.

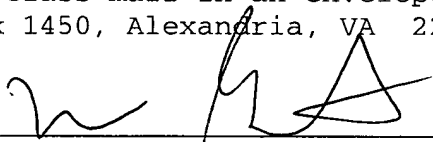
Respectfully submitted,

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